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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of )  
Kumar et al. ) Art Unit: 1637  
Application No. 10/072,666 ) Examiner: Suryaprabra Chunduru  
Filing Date: February 8, 2002 ) Confirmation No. 3290  
For: DETECTION METHOD USING )  
DISSOCIATED ROLLING )  
CIRCLE AMPLIFICATION )

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on February 10, 2005, please consider the following remarks.

**Remarks**

Claims 1-138 are pending. Claims 137 and 138 have been withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected invention. Applicant gratefully acknowledges withdrawal of the prior rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102, 35 U.S.C. § 103, and obviousness type double patenting.

**Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103**

Claims 1-136 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kingsmore et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,531,283) in view of Lizardi (U.S. Pat. No. 5,854,033).

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.